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Applicant: Jerome J. Klawitter

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For: HEART VALVE PROSTHESIS

Group Art Unit: 337

Examiner: Ronald L. Frinks

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period for response in respect to the first Office Action regarding the above-identified application be extended for one month to expire on October 15, 1981. This is the first request for an extension of time.

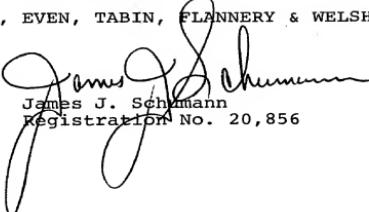
A copy of the Office Action and the references along with a request for comments was promptly forwarded to the inventor in Austin, Texas on or about June 24, 1981. The press of other work has prevented the inventor from affording this matter sufficient time for consideration and the undersigned attorney has not yet received a response. After further study, a more detailed report was made to the inventor this week; however, the undersigned attorney will be in Canada on a family vacation from August 15 through August 30th and it does not appear that there will be ample time to receive and analyze the inventor's comments and file a suitable response by the

original deadline date.

Respectfully submitted,

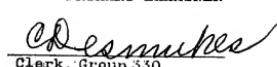
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME IS
GRANTED BY AUTHORITY OF THE PRIMARY EXAMINER
FOR ONE MONTH ONLY.


Clerk, Group 330

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